



## KNIGHTDALE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

**October 4, 2010**

The Knightdale Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. at Knightdale Town Hall, 950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, NC.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Russell Killen; Mayor Pro Tem Mike Chalk; Councilors Jeff Eddins, Terry Gleason, Tim Poirier and James Roberson.

**ABSENT:** No one.

**Staff Members Present:** Clyde Holt, Town Attorney; Seth Lawless, Town Manager; Suzanne Yeatts, Town Clerk/HR Director; Chris Hills, Planning Director; James Overton, Finance Director; Tracy Pedigo, Public Works Director; Jeff Triezenberg, Senior Planner; Shawn Brown, Public Safety Director; Steve Bailey, Public Safety Officer; Tim Guffey, Fire Chief; Jason Godwin, Assistant Police Chief; Kevin Bobbitt, Public Safety Officer.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Killen at 7:02 p.m.

### WELCOME

Welcome by Mayor Killen.

### INVOCATION

Invocation by Mayor Killen.

### ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**...Motion by Councilor Roberson to adopt the agenda.  
Motion seconded by Councilor Eddins and carried  
unanimously.**

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 7, 2010

**...Motion by Councilor Gleason to approve the minutes of September 7, 2010. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chalk and carried unanimously.**

ITEM III. PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, AWARDS

Introductions of new employees:

Assistant Police Chief Jason Godwin

Public Safety Officer Kevin Bobbitt

Shawn Brown, Public Safety Director, introduced two new Public Safety employees and Mayor Killen welcomed them.

Mayor Killen announced the Town's receipt of the North Carolina League of Municipality's Level One Green Challenge Award.

ITEM IV. PUBLIC

**Anyone may speak on an issue not included on tonight's agenda. Before speaking, please state your name and address.**

A. Open to the Public

No one approached.

B. Report on Citizen Inquiries

None at this time.

ITEM V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. AN-2-10 Princeton Manor Lots Annexation  
ORD #10-09-15-001

**Adopt Ordinance #10-09-15-001 extending the corporate limits of the Town of Knightdale.**

B. Code of Ethics Ordinance Amendment

**Adopt amendment to Code of Ethics Ordinance regarding Ethics.**

**...Motion by Councilor Poirier to adopt the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilor Eddins and carried unanimously.**

ITEM VI. ACTIONS REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

**When speaking during a public hearing, please state your name and address clearly before speaking. Please designate a spokesperson for large groups. If you anticipate speaking tonight, please print your name and address on the form located on the entry table. If the Mayor announces that the hearing is a quasi-judicial public hearing, all speakers must be administered an oath by the Town Attorney. Everyone must speak from the podium to assure an accurate record of testimony.**

ZTA-7-10 Farm UDO Amendments

Public hearing continued at 7:05 p.m. from the September 7, 2010 meeting.

Jeff Triezenberg, Senior Planner, reviewed the Town's comprehensive plan goals and existing farm related items included in the Unified Development Ordinance. Mr. Triezenberg reported ideas received from farmers at recent gathering sessions and recommended referring the amendment to the next Land Use Review Board meeting.

Mayor Killen noted the Town's plans to pursue a bill changing the state statute regarding farm exemptions as related to building code. Mayor Killen also stated that the effective date of the ETJ expansion could be delayed until the bill passes.

Mayor Killen reported the Town's willingness to consider the idea of a local farmer's market and reminded everyone that the proposed park equipment is based on the theme of agriculture and railroads.

Fred Puryear, 8224 Buffaloe Road, expressed concern that citizens in the ETJ had no voice in elections of local officials and questioned the benefit of being included in the Town's ETJ.

James Dunn, 7900 Buffaloe Road, applauded staff's efforts and asked what the next step would be after closing the public hearing.

Harold Broadwell, 220 Forest Lane, Wendell, thanked Council for their effort and commented that he plans to join efforts to get legislation to change the current statute related to farms. Mr.

Broadwell requested that any farm split by a roadway be considered one farm.

No one else approached.

**...Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Chalk to close the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. and refer ZTA-7-10 to the October 11, 2010 Land Use Review Board meeting. Motion seconded by Councilor Roberson and carried unanimously.**

ITEM VII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

None at this time.

ITEM VIII. TOWN ATTORNEY

Nothing at this time.

ITEM IX. OLD BUSINESS

Hodge Road Siphon  
Contract Extension for Park Construction

Town Manager Seth Lawless explained the need to extend the construction contract with Park Construction due to the previous moratorium on river disturbance that has now been lifted.

**...Motion by Councilor Gleason to authorize the Town Manager to extend the construction contract with Park Construction. Motion seconded by Councilor Poirier and carried unanimously.**

ITEM X. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

ITEM XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Killen made Council aware that a letter has been sent to Wake Stone Corporation expressing the Town's willingness to participate in the stream crossing of Hinton Oaks Boulevard.  
*(a copy of the letter is attached and made part of the minutes)*

## ITEM XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

## A. Planning and Engineering

Councilor Gleason noted the committee will meet Monday at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Land Use Review Board meeting.

## B. Budget

No report

## C. Public Safety

Councilor Eddins reported the following:

- 3 arrests made in the January homicide case
- 3 new officers hired in the Public Safety department
- 2 more officers to be hired by the end of the year
- 3 new firefighters to start work October 11<sup>th</sup>
- False alarm ordinance is being amended to change timeframe

## D. Nominating

No report

## E. Liaison Reports

No report

Mayor Killen reported the preliminary park and greenway designs will be presented to Council soon.

Brett Zick, LURB Chairman, commented that he is pleased with the increase in Public Safety Officers and noted that the Land Use Review Board meeting does not provide a public comment period therefore anyone wishing to speak about the farm item would be referred to staff.

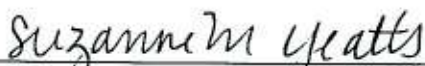
## ITEM XIII. CLOSED SESSION FOR LEGAL OR PERSONNEL MATTERS

## ITEM XIV. ADJOURNMENT

**...Motion by Councilor Poirier to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilor Eddins and carried unanimously.**



Mayor Pro Tem James M. Chalk



Town Clerk Suzanne M. Yeatts